

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
NORTHERN DISTRICT OF CALIFORNIA

THE BOARD OF TRUSTEES, IN THEIR
CAPACITIES AS TRUSTEES OF THE
LABORERS HEALTH AND WELFARE
TRUST FUND FOR NORTHERN
CALIFORNIA, et al.,

Plaintiffs,

v.

ERNEST BORBOR DEE,

Defendant.

Case No. 19-cv-07434-KAW

**ORDER REQUIRING
SUPPLEMENTAL BRIEFING**

Re: Dkt. No. 18

Having reviewed Plaintiffs’ motion for default judgment, the Court requires supplemental briefing as to Plaintiffs’ counsel’s billing records. In general, “[t]he party seeking fees bears the burden of documenting the hours expended in the litigation and must submit evidence supporting those hours and the rates claimed.” *Welch v. Metro. Life Ins. Co.*, 480 F.3d 942, 945-46 (9th Cir. 2007). Here, Plaintiff’s counsel provides a declaration stating the total hours worked by each timekeeper, but provides no breakdown of how those hours were spent.¹ Absent such information, the Court cannot determine if the hours requested are reasonable, or if they are “excessive, redundant, or otherwise unnecessary.” *Hensley v. Eckerhart*, 461 U.S. 424, 434 (1983).

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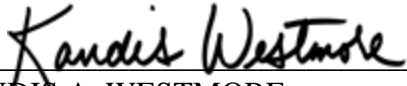
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¹ It appears Plaintiffs’ counsel meant to provide a copy of the timekeeping records. (See Mainguy Decl. ¶ 5, Dkt. No. 18-1.) Exhibit A, however, only includes two identical pages listing the total hours spent by each timekeeper. (Mainguy Decl., Exh. A.)

1 Accordingly, the Court ORDERS Plaintiffs to provide supplemental briefing as to
2 Plaintiff's time records by **August 13, 2020**.

3 IT IS SO ORDERED.

4 Dated: August 6, 2020

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6 KANDIS A. WESTMORE
United States Magistrate Judge

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